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SUBJ: MASS FOCUS ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS

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1. A RIPPLE OF MASS ATTENTION TO FOREIGN AFFAIRS HAS SPRUNG UP IN CHINA IN THE PAST FEW WEEKS AND NCNA DOMESTIC ASERVICE DECEMBER 14 INJECTED A TOUCH OF THAT ANTI-AMERICAN POISON NOTED EARLIER THIS YEAR BUT NOT SEEM IN MONTHS (SEEE REFTEL). NCNA REPORTED THAT A STUDY GROUP IN YUNNAN HAD HELD MEETINGS AT "THE EXECUTION GROUND OF THE " SINO-AMERICAN COOPERATION STATION WHERE KMT REACTIONARIES SLEW COMMUNIST PARTY MEMBERS AND REVOLUTIONARIES...." THIS HELPED THE GROUP " REMEMBER CLASS AND NATIONAL HATRED."

2. THE MAIN STREAM IN THE CURRENT DISCUSSION OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS FEATURES THE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC CRISIS IN THE CAPITALIST WORLD, WITH SHANGHAI TAKING THE LEAD IN DECLARING THAT MASS STUDY OF THIS WORLD DEVELOPMENT IS ONE OF THE "NEW THINGS" TO CONFIDENTIAL

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COME OUT OF THE POLITICAL MOVEMENT THIS YEAR. (THE MODEL

SHANGHAI NO. 5 IRON AND STEEL MILL IS IN THE VANGUARD, BUT
THE NO. 17 COTTON MILL, IDENTIFIED WITH PARTY VICE CHAIRMAN
WANG HUNG-WEN, IS ALSO INVOLVED: SEE RADIO BOADCASTS
DECEMBER 9, AND 14). THREE OTHER PROVINCES HAVE PICKED UP THE
MOVE, KWANGSI LIAONING AND HUNAN-- AND THESE LIKE SHANGHAI ARE ALSO
PROVINCES IN WHICH POLITBURO FIGURES HAVE BASES, A CONNECTION
THAT COULD SUGGEST TOP LEVEL INTEREST IN MOUNTING THIS EXERCISE.

3. COMMENT. THUS FAR THE GENERAL THRUST OF THIS ACTIVITY
WOULD FIT WITH PREPARATIONS FOR THE NEW INTERNAL CAMPAIGN, THE
"NEW LEAP" IN THE NATIONAL ECONOMY, BEING DRUMMED UP FOR NEXT
YEAR. THE TOUCH OF XENOPHOBIA RECALLS AN EARLIER REPORT THAT
SOME KIND OF ANTI-FOREIGN CAMPAIGN WAS PLANNED FOR NEXT YEAR
(HONG KONG 11275). BUT THE DEVELOPMENTS NOTED HERE DO NOT EXCEED
FAMILIAR PROCLIVITIES FOR THIS WITHIN CHINA.

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